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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hideaki WATANABE, et al. /

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Examiner: K.B. Wells

DIFFERENTIAL SIGNAL OUTPUT APPARATUS. SEMICONDUCTOR INTEGRATED

CIRCUIT APPARATUS HAVING THE DIFFERENTIAL SIGNAL OUTPUT APPARATUS,

DIFFERENTIAL SIGNAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM, SIGNAL DETECTION

APPARATUS, SIGNAL DETECTION METHOD, SIGNAL TRANSMISSION SYSTEM

AND COMPUTER-READABLE PROGRAM

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 12, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on May 12, 2003. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to July 12, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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